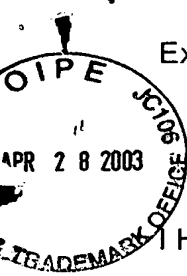


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REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION BY THE INVENTORS

I HEREBY DECLARE THAT:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are stated next to my name in PART A hereof.

I believe I am the original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 5,408,832, granted April 25, 1995, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled

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the specification of which:

- ☐ is attached hereto.
- ☒ was filed on July 5, 1996 as reissue Application No. 08/675,969 and was amended on August 5, 1996, April 7, 1997, July 2, 1997, and February 7, 2001.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56.

I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.)

- ☐ by reason of a defective specification or drawing.
- ☒ by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent.
- ☐ by reason of other errors.

At least one error upon which reissue is based is described below. If the reissue is a broadening reissue, such must be stated with an explanation as to the nature of the broadening:

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recite Applicants' new and nonobvious physical structure and the process by which such structures function.

I hereby claim priority benefits under 35 USC §119(a)-(d) or (f), §172, or §365(a)-(b) of any foreign or international application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed in PART B hereof and have also identified in PART B hereof any such foreign or international application having a filing date before that of the application of which priority is claimed.

All errors corrected in this reissue application arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant. As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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PART B: CLAIM TO PRIORITY OF FOREIGN APPLICATION(S) UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119(a-d) and (f) §172, or §365(a)-(b)

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